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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0024] with the following amended paragraph:

[0024] As best shown in FIGS. 1-3, the base module 14 includes a lower housing portion 15 and an upper housing portion 17, which together define an interior for housing components and a well 730 for receiving a tank assembly 50(not shown). Further, ~~a well 732 in the upper housing portion 17 receives a detergent supply tank 870, as best shown in FIG. 3.~~ The upper housing portion 17 receives a transparent facing 19 for defining a first working air conduit 704 and a suction nozzle 34, which is disposed at a front portion of the base module 14 adjacent the surface being cleaned for recovering fluid therefrom. The handle assembly 16 has a closed loop grip 18 provided at the uppermost portion thereof and a combination hose and cord wrap 20 that is adapted to support an accessory hose 22 and a electrical cord (not shown) when either is not in use. A latch assembly 21 is pivotally mounted to the rear portion of the base module 14 adjacent the rotational union of the handle assembly 16 therewith for releasably locking the handle assembly 16 in its upright position.

Please replace paragraph [0036] with the following amended paragraph:

[0036] Referring to FIG. 5, the agitation brush 606 comprises multiple rows 608 of bristles 610 formed in tufts 612. The increase in the number and density of bristles on the surface of the agitation brush has been found to increase the cleaning effectiveness of the brush 606. In the illustrated embodiment, there are four rows ~~608-800, 802, 804, 806~~ of bristles in a generally longitudinally sinusoidal configuration. The number of rows 608 of bristles can vary depending on the function of the machine. We have discovered that at least three rows of bristles 608 has surprisingly enhanced cleaning compared with a single or even a double row of bristles. Typically, there will be 4-6 rows 608 of bristles, preferably five rows.

Please replace paragraph [0039] with the following amended paragraph:

[0039] A further application of the twist-wire brush 480 of FIG. 6, the agitation brush 606 with

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multiple rows 608 of FIG. 5, and fabric cover 700 of FIG. 11 is in a hand-held extraction cleaner, as shown in FIGS. 9-7 and 108. It is anticipated that the twist-wire brush 480, the agitation brush 606, or the fabric cover 700 can be used in the hand-held extraction cleaner 1710. Those features of the hand-held extraction cleaner 1710 shown in the figures but not further discussed herein are described in U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/239,670, filed October 12, 2000 and U.S. Patent 6,125,498 issued October 3, 2000, all of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.